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Rex Harris State ML 43395 - Fossils Mine Site 223 South White Sage Ave. PO Box 513 Delta, Utah 84624

Subject: Summary of Requirements in Response to Letter, Requirement to Post

Reclamation Surety, dated June 8, 2006, Rex Harris, STATE ML 43395 -

Fossils Mine Site, S/027/011, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Harris:

Thank you for your recent inquiry responding to the Division letter dated June 8, 2006. This letter provided information about the recent rule changes resulting in reclamation surety requirements for small mines and exploration projects within the state of Utah.

It has been determined the required bond amount for your site is \$12,000. An overview of the various reclamation surety bond options was provided to you, as well as the benefits and disadvantages of each. Based on that information, you are considering a certificate of deposit or cash in the amount of \$2,000.00. Please contact Minerals Coordinator, Beth Ericksen, for assistance with the necessary details for completion of the paperwork.

SITLA currently administers two certificates of deposit (CD) for \$5,000.00 each that must be transferred to the Division. This effort will require your cooperation, and per a telephone conversation on October 16, 2006, you will proceed with contacting Zions Bank and advising them of the circumstances. Please ensure your approval is granted to Zions Bank allowing the Division bond coordinator, Beth Ericksen, to speak with the bank representative regarding the details of the CD account and the titling change process.

A small mine reclamation contract will be required for completion of the surety process. Once the full surety amount has been posted, Beth Ericksen will email the reclamation contract, which will be signed by an authorized person within the company, notarized and returned in its original form to the Division, attention Minerals Regulatory Program.

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As a reminder, the deadline to complete this process (approved reclamation surety and reclamation contract) is December 8, 2006.

The Division appreciates your attentiveness and responsiveness to the rule changes that have occurred resulting in this reclamation surety requirement. If you have any questions or require discussion regarding the content of this letter, please contact Beth Ericksen (801) 538-5318.

Sincerely,

Daron Haddock Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

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c: Beth Ericksen, DOGM Tom Munson, DOGM

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